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Prior Application:

Examiner Jennifer McNeilArt Unit 1775

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a

☐ Continuation☒ Divisional (parent not abandoned)

application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b), of pending prior application Serial  
 No. Rule 1.53(b) Div. of S.N. 09/603,203 filed June 26, 2000, filed January  
3, 2002

for [Title]: METHOD FOR BONDING DIFFERENT MEMBERS AND COMPOSITE MEMBERS  
BONDED BY THE METHOD

by [Inventors]: Takahiro ISHIKAWA; Masayuki SHINKAI; Masahiro KIDA

1. ☒ A copy of the prior application is attached. This copy comprises  
 a true copy of the prior application as filed (specification,  
 claims, drawings, declaration). No amendments referred to in the  
 declaration (if any) filed to complete the prior application  
 introduced new matter therein.

2. ☒ The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION, LESS ANY CLAIMS  
 CANCELLED BY AMENDMENT BELOW

Basic Fee

\$740.00 (\*370.00)

Total claims	9	-20 = 0	x \$18.00 (* 9.00) =
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Independent claims	1	- 3 = 0	x \$84.00 (*42.00) =
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Total Filing Fee.....			= \$740.00
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3. ☒ A check in the amount of \$740.00 is enclosed (Ck# 14896).  
 THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY OTHER FEES  
 WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT  
 NO. 16-0331.

PLEASE ACCEPT THIS AS  
 AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT  
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 DEP. ACCT. 16-0331  
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4. ☒ Cancel in this application original claims 10-15 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. At least one original independent claim is retained for filing purposes.
5. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
--This is a ☐ Continuation ☒ Division of application Serial No. 09/603,203, filed June 26, 2000, now allowed.--
6. ☐ Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed for filing in the prior application file.
7. ☐ New ☐ Formal ☐ Informal drawings are enclosed: Fig(s). \_\_\_\_.
8. ☒ Priority of foreign application(s) No. 11-180902 filed June 25, 1999 in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
- ☒ The certified copy was filed in prior application No. 09/603,203 on June 26, 2000.
- ☐ A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is filed herewith.
9. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to NGK INSULATORS, LTD. Recorded at Reel 010897, Frame 0202.
10. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to Roger W. Parkhurst, Registration No. 25,177 and Charles A. Wendel, Registration No. 24,453:
- ☒ a. The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- ☐ b. Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- ☒ c. Address all future communications to

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11. [x] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Claims added by this Amendment are properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.
12. [x] An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.
- \*13. [x] This application is not entitled to Small Entity Status.

Respectfully submitted,

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